PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION			
7 October 64 08/03002	Kahoka, Missouri			
3. SOURCE	10. CONCLUSION			
Civilian	SEARCH LIGHT			
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Probable searchlight activity.			
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS			
Less than 30 Minutes	Beam of light coming from the ground aimed at the moon.			
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	Witness reflection was that she did not see the moon but rather a reflection of light on clouds.			
7. COURSE Stationary				
8. PHOTOS DYes MXNo				
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE				

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Kahoka, Missouri October 10, 1964

washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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on the night of October 7, at 9 p.m. CST, I walked out on my porch facing the east, and happened to glance up at what I thought was the moon, which was east and slightly northeast. I blinked and glanced again, then opened the screen door, looked, took off my glasses, and still the thing I saw persisted. It looked like an electric light pole (reflecting light) reaching from the earth to the moon. For fear I was imagining things, I ran to the neighbor, and a teen-ager came out to look, and she was just as amazed as I was. At 9:30 p.m. I went to look again, and it was gone, no moon, and the sky was black as ink.

The next day I went to our newspaper office, the Gazette-Herald, and the girl said, folks calling in had flooded the switchboard, and all of their employees had been remarking about it. One man in town said some surveyors working east of Kahoka were doing that, another said it was from a barge on the river. Now I think I did not see the moon, that it was the reflection centered up in the clouds, as I saw bear-shaped clouds flouting around the centered light up there, and once the cloud looked funnel-shaped.

It seems as though there should be some logical explanation, but if there are beams powerful enough to cast a beam to the clouds, could they be harmful to our eyesight? If there is no reason for such a performance, it should be stopped. I may be bothering you for nothing, but I would like an explanation. People in general are talking about it, but if anyone is trying to find out about it, I am not aware of it. I hope I have not bothered you for nothing, but in these kind of times, we cannot be sure of anything of a worldly nature.

Kanoka, mo. # 63445

P.S. Perhais a year or two aga I saw in the parer where a quantity of Lasar day guns were perfected in this country: that they could blind at quite a distance if pointed at anyone. I hope these will be stored and guarded like the atomic bomb, as they could be catastrophic in the wrong hands.



Mr. J. Edgar Hoover rederal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.

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